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U.S. Serial No. : Not Yet Known (Continuation Application
of PCT/US99/22260, filed 24 September
1999)
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For : A SMALL PROTEIN THAT INTERACTS WITH A
RIBONUCLEOTIDE REDUCTASE SUBUNIT AND
USES THEREOF

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO THE ACCOMPANYING CONTINUATION
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Applicants request that the following amendment be made in the
above-identified application:

In the Specification:

On page 1, after the title, please delete the first sentence and
insert the following new sentence:

--This application is a continuation of PCT International
Application No. PCT/US99/22260, filed 24 September 1999,
designating the United States of America, which is a
continuation-in-part and claims priority of U.S. Serial No.
09/158,858, filed September 24, 1998, the contents of which
are hereby incorporated by reference into the present
application.--

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 4-10, 13, 15-19, 22-23, 26-28, and 31-36
without prejudice or disclaimer to applicants' right to pursue
the subject matter of these claims in a future continuation or
divisional application.

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